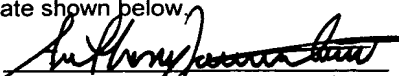


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004 (Paper No. 20041115), finally rejecting claims 1-41, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.